

Fig. 1

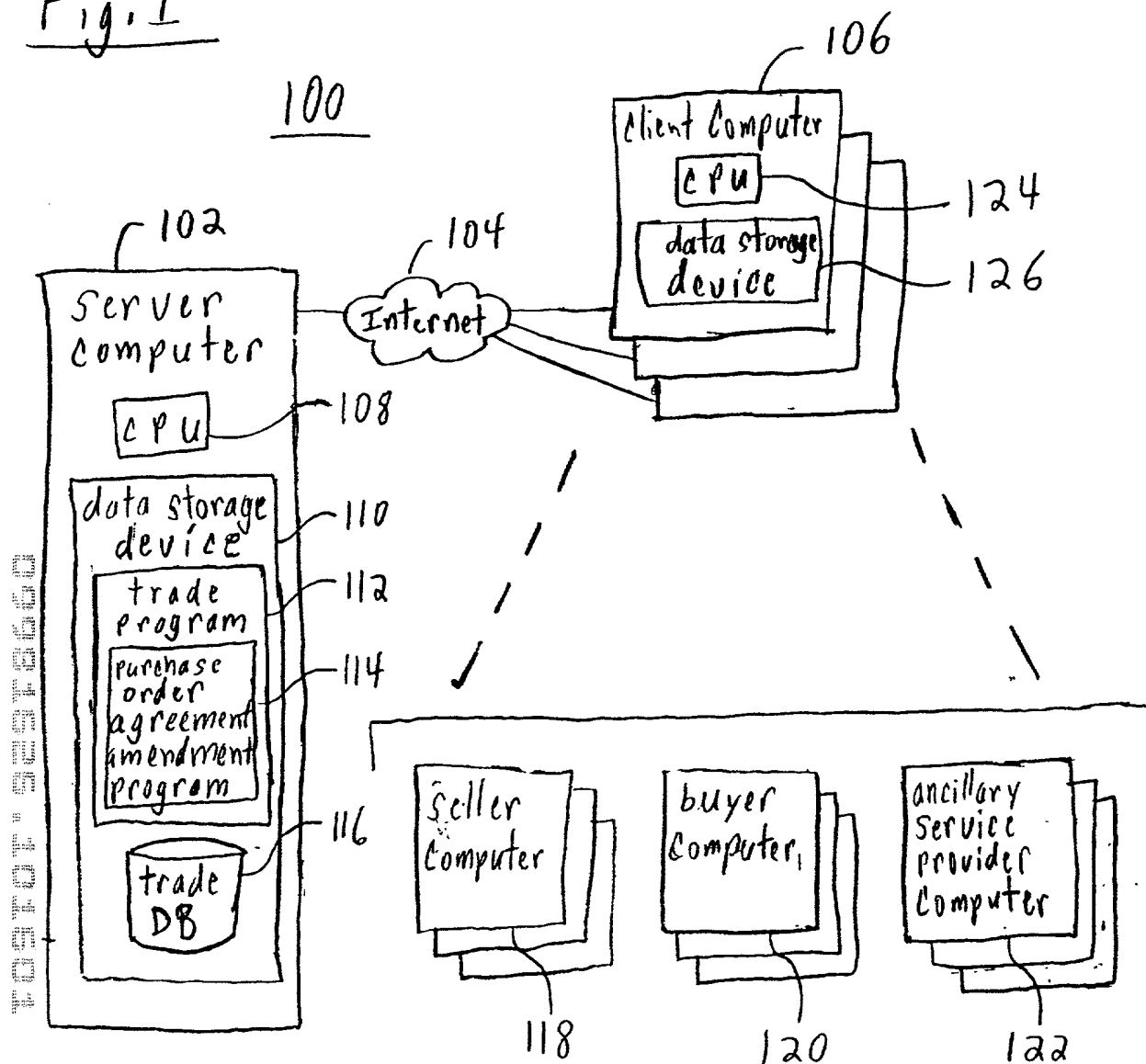


Fig. 2

200

allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement 202

allow electronic modification of the purchase order agreement upon agreement by the seller and the buyer to the modification 204

receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 206

electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 208

Fig. 3

300

allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement 202

allow electronic modification of the purchase order agreement upon agreement by the seller and the buyer to the modification 204

receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 206

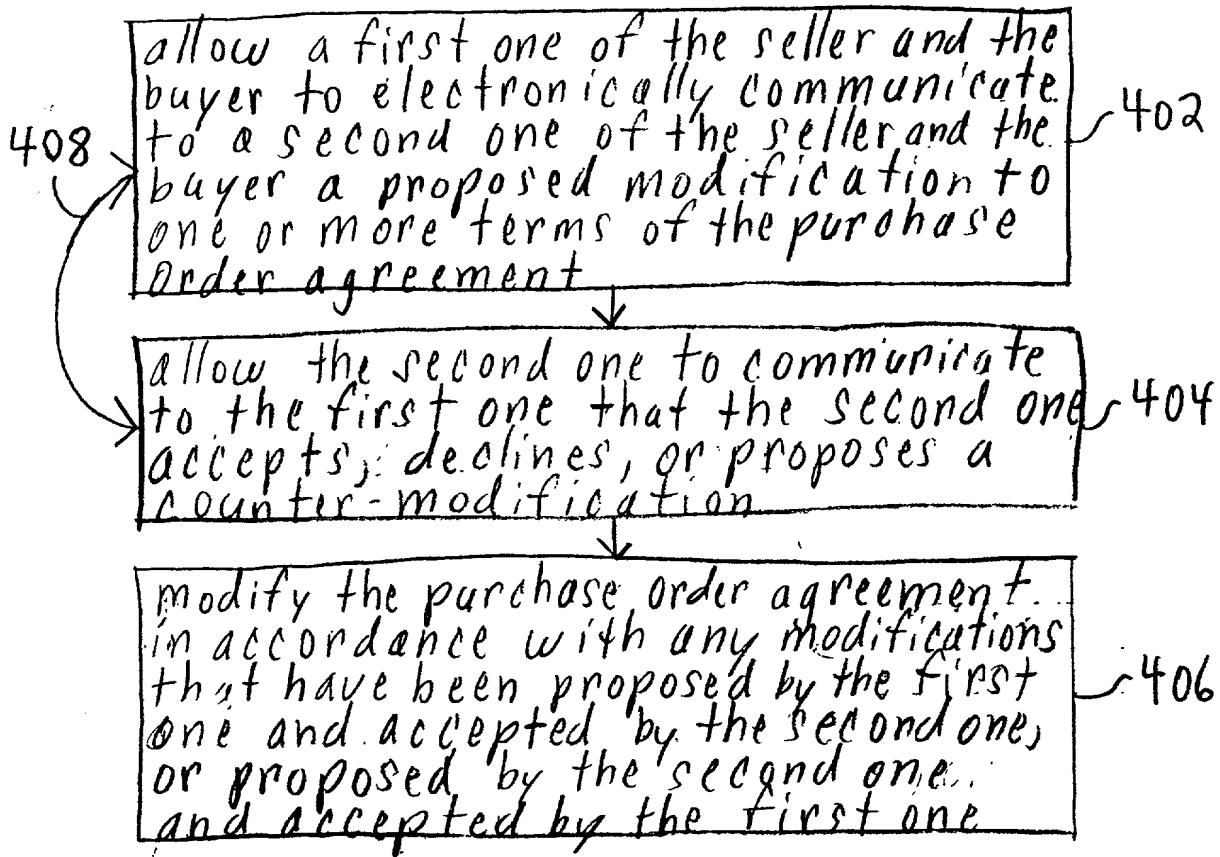
electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 208

electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 302

receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement as modified by any modifications 304

Fig. 4

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FOOTNOTES

Fig. 5

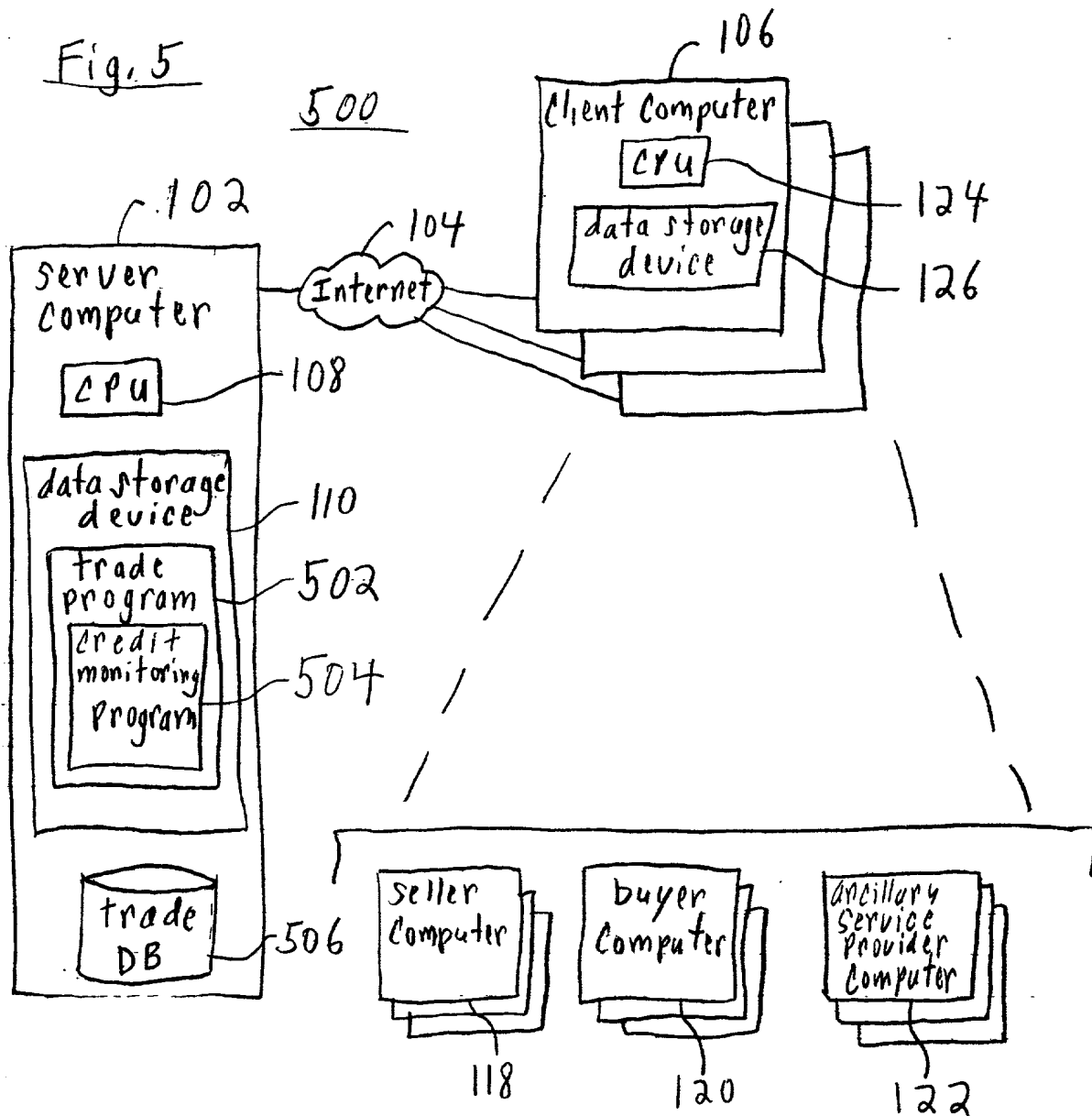


Fig. 6

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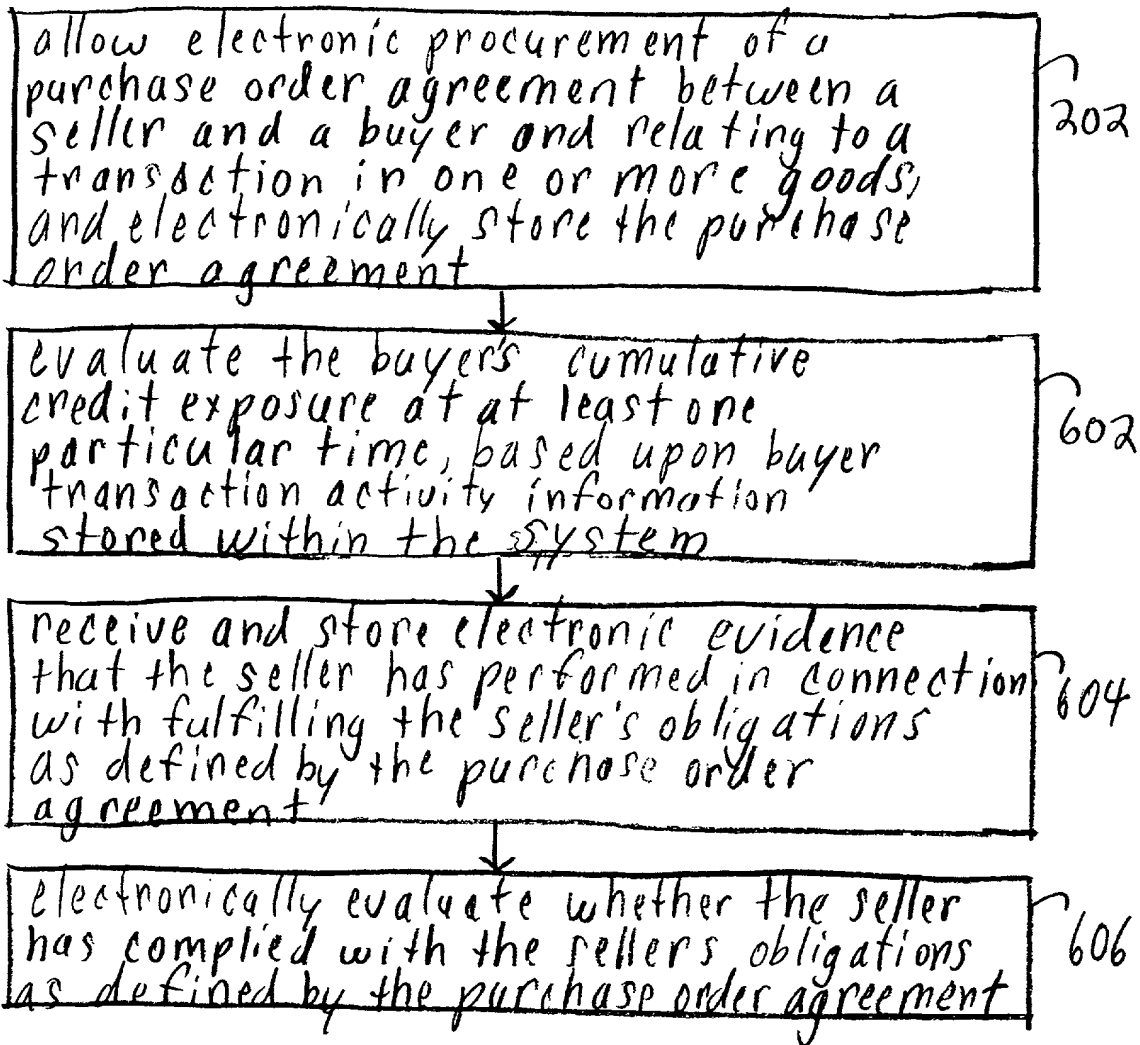


Fig. 7

700

allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

202

evaluate the buyer's cumulative credit exposure at at least one particular time based upon buyer transaction activity information stored within the system

602

receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

604

electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

606

electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

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receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

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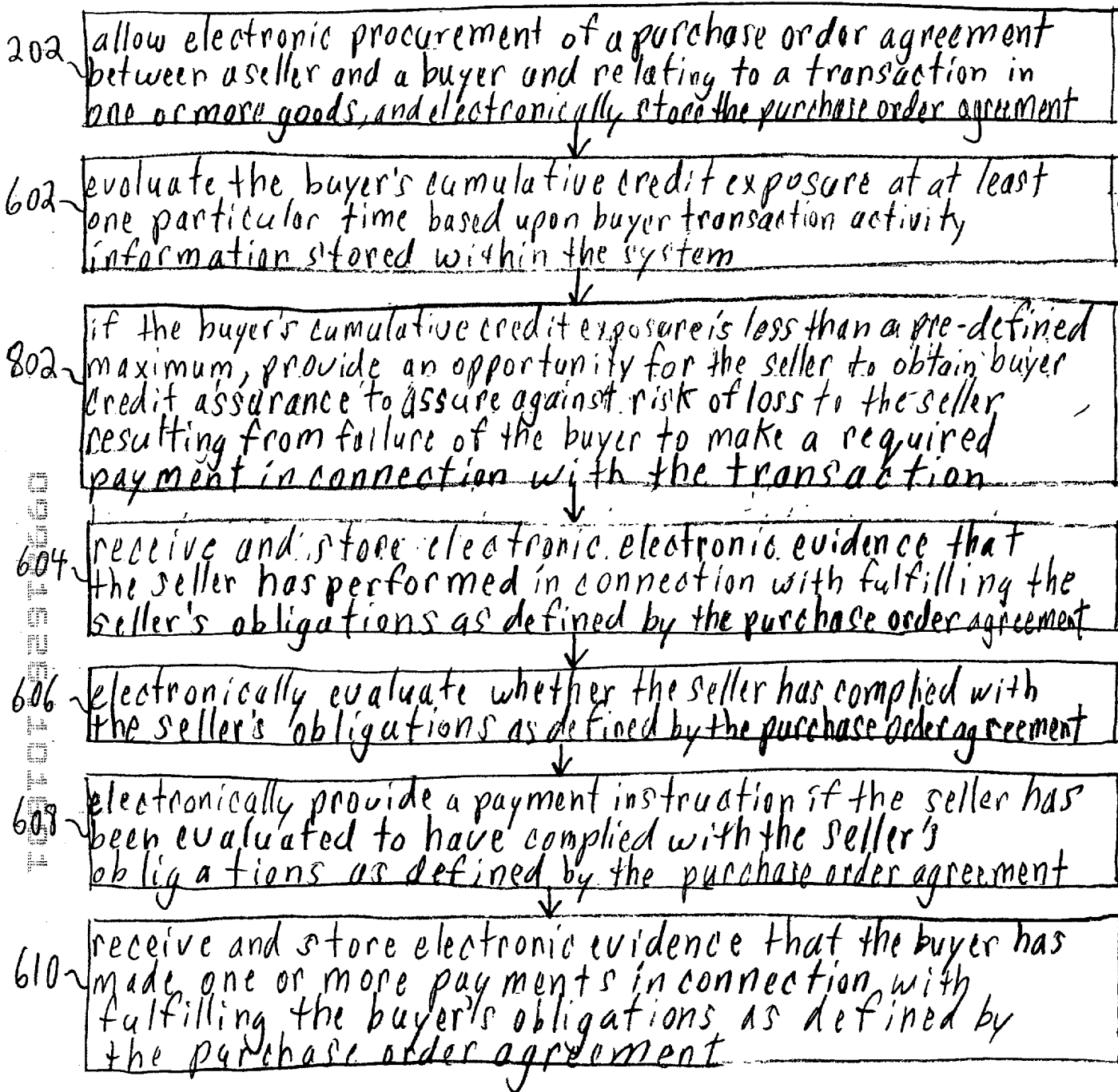




Fig. 9

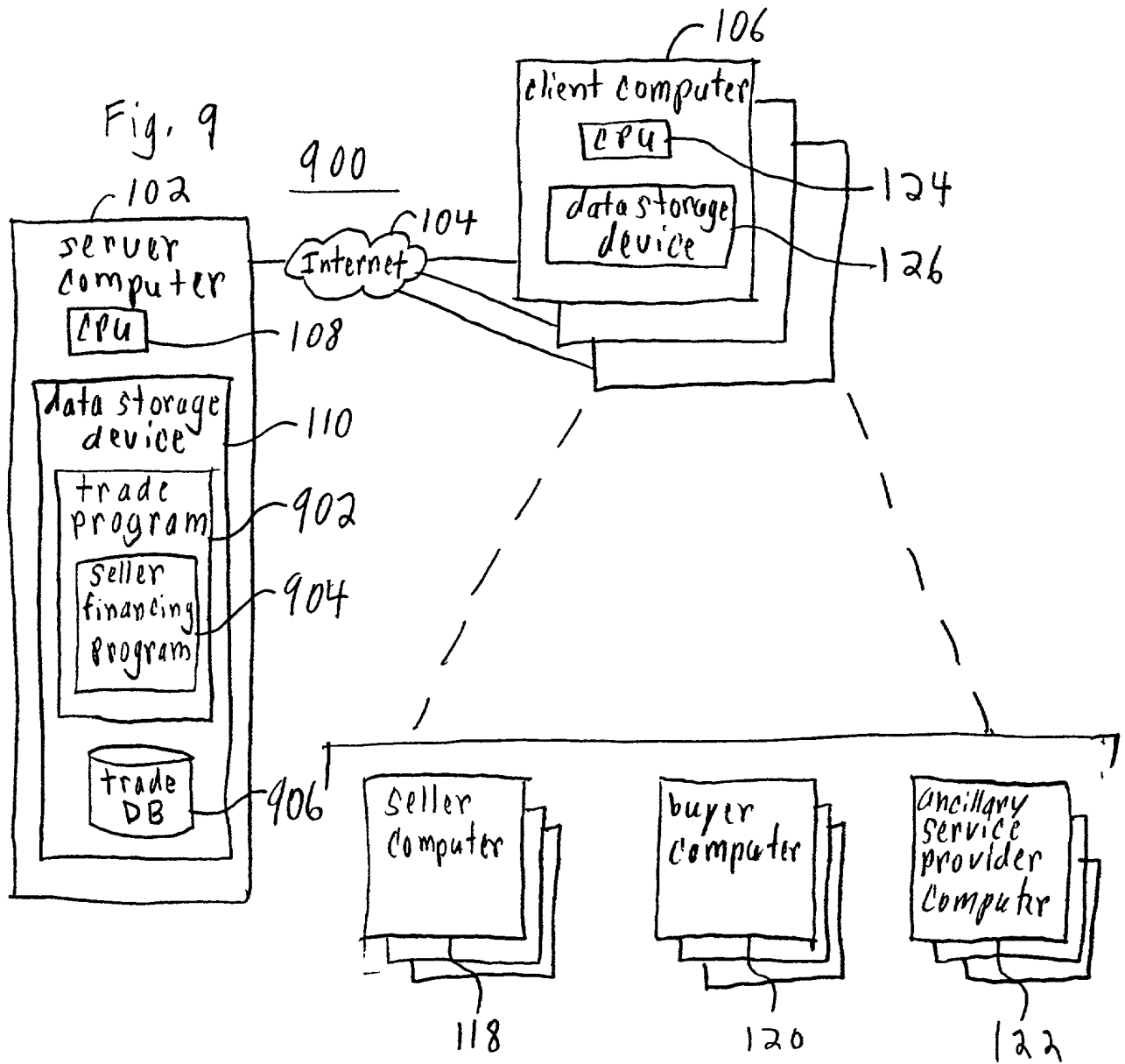


Fig. 10

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202~ allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

1002~ electronically provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain financing in relation to producing the one or more goods

604~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

606~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

FIG. 10

Fig. 11

1100

202 - allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

1002 - electronically provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain financing in relation to producing the one or more goods

604 - receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

606 - electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

608 - electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

610 - receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

FIG. 11

Fig. 12

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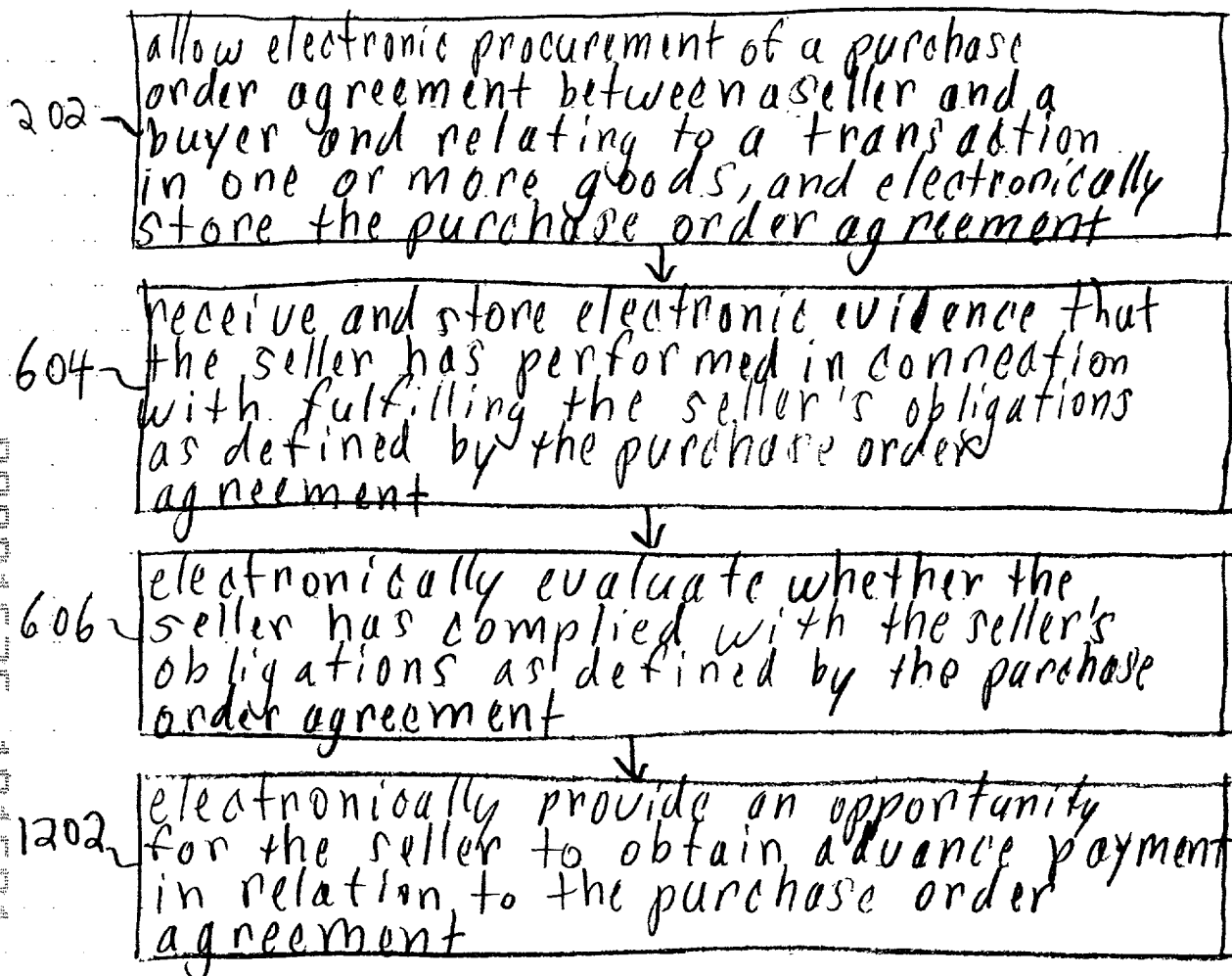


Fig. 13

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- 202~ allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement
- 604~ receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement
- 606~ electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement
- 1202~ electronically provide an opportunity for the seller to obtain advance payment in relation to the purchase order agreement
- 608~ electronically providing a payment instruction if the seller has been evaluated to have complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement
- 610~ receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

Fig. 14

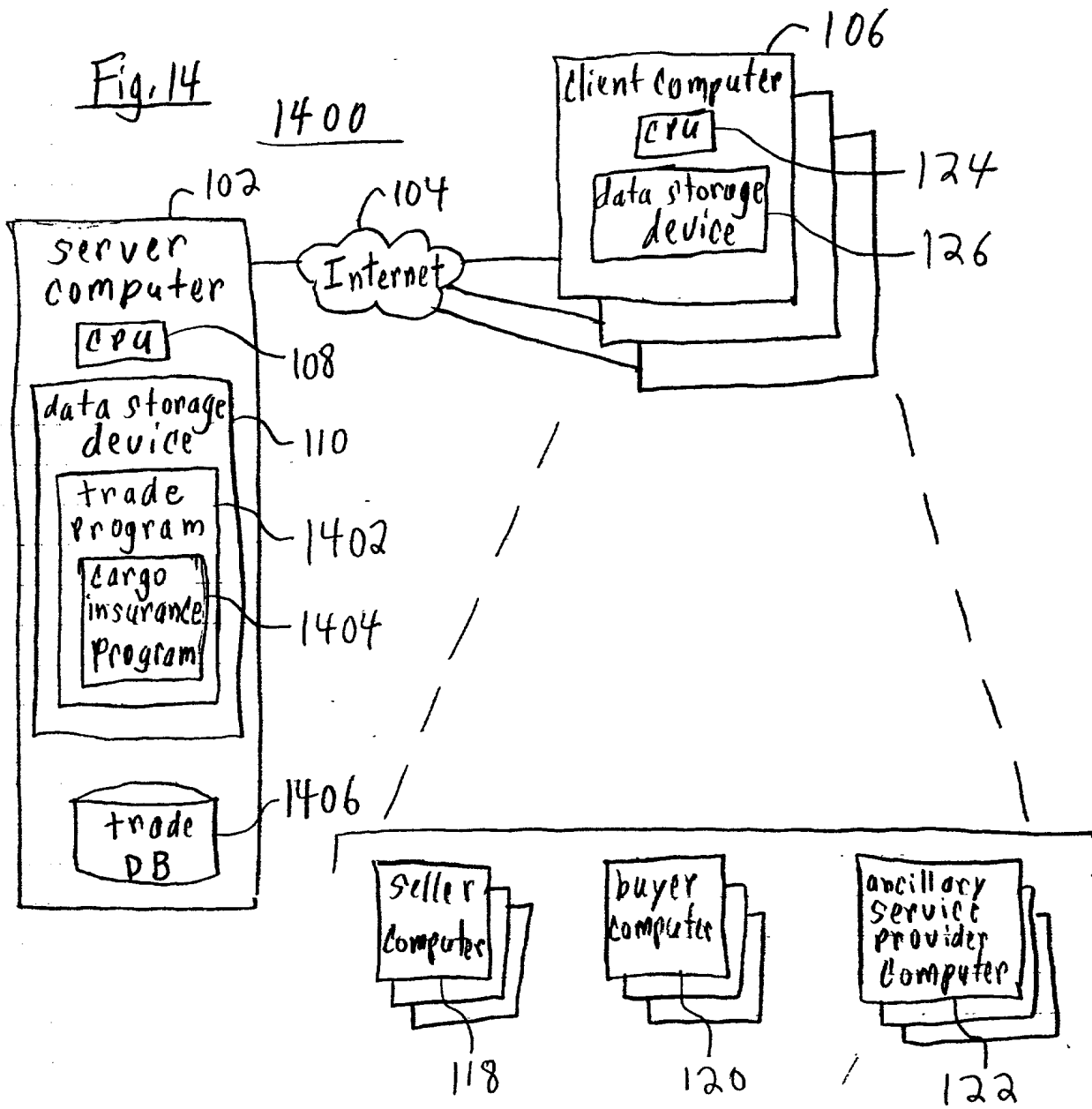


Fig. 15

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202

allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

604

receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

1502

provide an opportunity for at least one of the seller and the buyer to obtain, through the system, cargo insurance relating to the one or more goods to insure against risk of loss in connection with shipment of the one or more goods in accordance with the transaction.

606

electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

Fig. 16

16 00

202 allow electronic procurement of a purchase order agreement between a seller and a buyer and relating to a transaction in one or more goods, and electronically store the purchase order agreement

604 receive and store electronic evidence that the seller has performed in connection with fulfilling the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

1502 provide an opportunity for at least one of the seller and the buyer to obtain, through the system, cargo insurance relating to the one or more goods to insure against risk of loss in connection with shipment of the one or more goods in accordance with the transaction

606 electronically evaluate whether the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

608 electronically provide a payment instruction if the seller has complied with the seller's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement

610 receive and store electronic evidence that the buyer has made one or more payments in connection with fulfilling the buyer's obligations as defined by the purchase order agreement